Amendments to the Claims

- 1. (Canceled)
- 2. (Canceled)
- 3. (Previously presented) The method of claim 34, wherein the concentration of HSA is from about 0.1% to about 15%.
- 4. (Previously presented) The method of claim 3, wherein the concentration of HSA is from about 1% to about 10%.
- 5. (Previously presented) The method of claim 4, wherein the concentration of HSA is about 5%.
- 6. (Canceled)
- 7. (Previously presented) The method of claim 34, wherein the pH of said composition is greater than 7.5.
- 8. (Previously presented) The method of claim 7, wherein the pH of said composition is greater than 8.0.
- 9. (Previously presented) The method of claim 8, wherein the pH of said composition is 8.2.
- 10. (Previously presented) The method of claim 8, wherein the pH of said composition is 8.4.
- 11. (Previously presented) The method of claim 4, wherein the pH of said composition is greater than 8.0.
- 12. (Previously presented) The method of claim 5, wherein the pH of said composition is 8.2.
- 13. (Previously presented) The method of claim 5, wherein the pH of said composition is 8.4.

14 to 17. (Canceled)

18. (Currently amended) The method of claim 34, further comprising A method of enhancing the titer of or preserving recombinant adenovirus vectors or particles comprising:

- a) preparing a purified sample of said recombinant adenovirus vectors or particles;
- b) mixing said sample with a composition consisting essentially of human serum albumin (HSA), wherein the concentration of HSA is from about 0.01% to about 25% (w/v), about 5% sucrose, about 2.0 mM MgCl₂ and about 150 mM NaCl, wherein the pH of said composition is greater than or equal to 5.0 and less than or equal to 9.0; and
- c) storing said recombinant adenovirus vectors or particles at a temperature from about 4°C to about 20°C for at least 3 months to about 8.5 months.

19 to 21. (Canceled)

- 22. (Previously presented) The method of claim 34, wherein the recombinant adenovirus vector or particle expresses a heterologous protein.
- 23. (Previously presented) The method of claim 22, wherein the heterologous protein is p53.
- 24. (Previously presented) The method of claim 22, wherein the heterologous protein is HSV-TK.
- 25. (Canceled)
- 26. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 34, wherein said temperature is about 4°C.
- 27. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 34, wherein said temperature is about 20°C.

28. to 33. (Canceled)

- 34. (Currently amended) A method of enhancing the titer of or preserving recombinant adenovirus vectors or particles comprising:
 - a) preparing a purified sample of said recombinant adenovirus vectors or particles;
 - b) mixing said sample with a composition consisting essentially of comprising human serum albumin (HSA), wherein the concentration of HSA is from about 0.01% to about 25% (w/v), wherein the pH of said composition is greater than or equal to 5.0 and less than or equal to 9.0; and

- c) storing said recombinant adenovirus vectors or particles at a temperature <u>from</u> greater than about 4°C to about 20°C for at least 3 months to about 8.5 months.
- 35. (Currently amended) The method of claim 34, said composition further comprising A method of enhancing the titer of or preserving recombinant adenovirus vectors or particles comprising:
 - a) preparing a purified sample of said recombinant adenovirus vectors or particles;
 - b) mixing said sample with a composition consisting essentially of human serum albumin (HSA), wherein the concentration of HSA is from about 0.01% to about 25% (w/v), and PBS and about 1% HSA wherein the pH of said composition is greater than or equal to 5.0 and less than or equal to 9.0; and
 - c) storing said recombinant adenovirus vectors or particles at a temperature from about 4°C to about 20°C for at least 3 months to about 8.5 months.
- 36. (Currently amended) The method of claim 35, said composition further comprising A method of enhancing the titer of or preserving recombinant adenovirus vectors or particles comprising:
 - a) preparing a purified sample of said recombinant adenovirus vectors or particles;
 - b) mixing said sample with a composition consisting essentially of human serum albumin (HSA), wherein the concentration of HSA is from about 0.01% to about 25% (w/v), and about 5% sucrose wherein the pH of said composition is greater than or equal to 5.0 and less than or equal to 9.0; and
 - c) storing said recombinant adenovirus vectors or particles at a temperature from about 4°C to about 20°C for at least 3 months to about 8.5 months.
- 37. (Currently amended) The method of claim 35, said composition further comprising A method of enhancing the titer of or preserving recombinant adenovirus vectors or particles comprising:
 - a) preparing a purified sample of said recombinant adenovirus vectors or particles;
 - b) mixing said sample with a composition consisting essentially of human serum albumin (HSA), wherein the concentration of HSA is from about 0.01% to about 25%

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(w/v), about 150 mM NaCl and PBS wherein the pH of said composition is greater than or equal to 5.0 and less than or equal to 9.0; and

- c) storing said recombinant adenovirus vectors or particles at a temperature from about 4°C to about 20°C for at least 3 months to about 8.5 months.
- 38. (Currently amended) The method of claim 36, said composition further comprising A method of enhancing the titer of or preserving recombinant adenovirus vectors or particles comprising:
 - a) preparing a purified sample of said recombinant adenovirus vectors or particles;
 - b) mixing said sample with a composition consisting essentially of human serum albumin (HSA), wherein the concentration of HSA is from about 0.01% to about 25% (w/v), about 150 mM NaCl and about 5% sucrose wherein the pH of said composition is greater than or equal to 5.0 and less than or equal to 9.0; and
- c) storing said recombinant adenovirus vectors or particles at a temperature from about 4°C to about 20°C for at least 3 months to about 8.5 months.
- 39. (New) A composition consisting essentially of human serum albumin (HSA), wherein the concentration of HSA is from about 0.01% to about 25% (w/v), about 5% sucrose, about 2.0 mM MgCl₂ and about 150 mM NaCl, wherein the pH of said composition is greater than or equal to 5.0 and less than or equal to 9.0.